

PSYCHIATRIC TECHNICIAN

Moccasin Bend Mental Health Institute
100 Moccasin Bend Road
Chattanooga, TN 37405

Moccasin Bend Mental Health Institute:

Moccasin Bend Mental Health Institute (MBMHI) is a psychiatric hospital that has been serving 52 counties in East Tennessee since 1961. Hospitalizations are on a voluntary or involuntary basis, or patients can also be referred by the court system for pre-trial evaluations. The hospital offers 2 long-term care units, 4 short-term care units, and therapeutic treatment units for a total of 150 beds. Moccasin Bend Mental Health Institute's mission is to provide quality psychiatric services to individuals with a severe and persistent mental illness.

Job Responsibilities:

Under nursing supervision, Psychiatric Technicians at Moccasin Bend Mental Health Institute (MTMHI) provide direct care to patients in Short Term Care Programs; Extended Care Programs; and, Forensic Care Programs for those who have been diagnosed with a mental illness and have forensic charges. Responsibilities of this position include:

- Providing daily living care for patients such as bathing and personal hygiene; assisting with dressing (clothes); and, feeding.
- Having the ability to move, lift, and/or transfer patients using sliding boards, wheel chairs, or other required equipment; as well as provide supervised medical assistance, such as, but not limited to, obtaining vital signs and weights of patients.
- Escorting patients to appointments and other appropriate areas; and, they provide individualized teaching and lead activities for patients.
- Making rounds according to policy and procedure to account for each assigned patient.
- Providing verbal de-escalation of agitated patients
- Performing CPR and other emergency responses and techniques when necessary. **All necessary training including CPR and Patient De-escalation will be provided on-site.**

Shifts Available:

Psychiatric Technicians work 12.5 hour shifts - 3 - 4 Days/Nights per Week. Standard shifts are:

- 7am-8:30pm (Days)
- 7pm-8:30am (Nights) - Additional Pay for Night Shift Work

Employee Benefits:

The State of Tennessee offers excellent benefits to all regular full-time employees. Some of these benefits are:

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| • Health Insurance | • Dental Insurance |
| • Retirement Plan - 401(k) and Pension | • Vision Insurance |
| • Tuition Assistance (Employee and Children) | • Life Insurance |
| • Sick and Vacation Time Accrued Monthly | • Sick Leave Bank |
| • Short and Long Term Disability | • State Employee Discounts |

Required Education:

- Graduation from a standard high school or equivalent.

Necessary Special Qualifications:

- A valid motor vehicle operator license is required.
- Must have the ability to lift 30 – 50 lbs. and perform repetitive tasks consisting of bending, stooping, standing and walking.

Preferred Qualifications:

- Mental Health and/or Corrections experience

Job Type:

- Full-time

Required work authorization:

- Pre-employment Drug Testing and Criminal Background Check Required

Base Salary:

- Annual: \$21,792 (\$1816 per Month)
- Overtime is available

To schedule an interview contact:

- Sharon Perkins at 423.785.3339 or Sharon.Perkins@tn.gov

MBMHI is an Equal Opportunity Employer